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For: PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF POLYURONIC ACIDS

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(37 C.F.R. Section 1.312)

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- [] abstract.
- [] specification.
- [] drawings.
- [x] claims.

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Correction of formal matters

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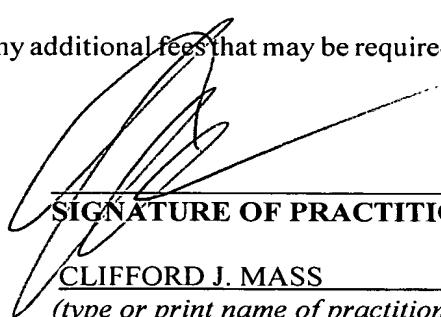
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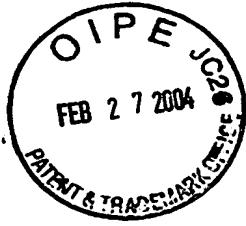

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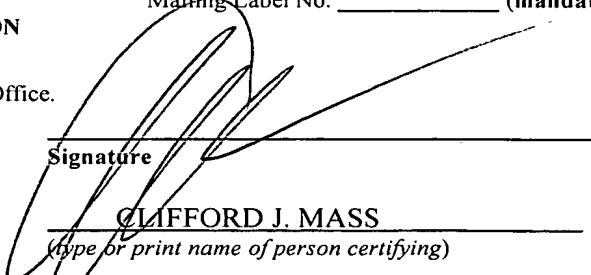
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